(d) what was the mark up taken on PAS formulations by M/s. Pfizer and what mark up was allowed;

(e) whether it is a fact that findings of the team are full of errors and omissions; and

(f) if so, when the entire matter will be investigated?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (d) to (f) The special team assessed the amounts after verifying the records of the companies concerned

(b) and (c) The details required in the question are voluminous. The time and efforts required for collection of these details will not be in commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

Village Level Energy Programme

3011. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have undertaken any village level energy programme during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to implement these programmes;

(d) whether Government have included the use of photovoltaic cells to meet the villages energy requirement; and

(e) if so, what are the achievements so far?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Department of Non-Conventional Energy Sources is implementing urjagram projects in order to progressively make villages self-sufficient in energy. 67 urjagram projects have so far been implemented and 110 urjagram projects are under implementation in different parts of the country. The projects are being implemented in association with State nodal agencies through research institutions, industry, universities, voluntary agencies, etc.

(d) and (e) The Department is also implementing a nation-wide programme for the deployment of photovoltaic systems for meeting basic requirements of electric power in villages, including lighting, pumping for drinking water supply and micro irrigation, television/radio, battery charging, etc., 4354 villages/hamlets have been provided with street lights. 533 community lights and television sets, about 900 photovoltaic pumping systems and over 1000 domestic lighting units have been taken up for installation in different parts of the country. In addition, 93 photovoltaic lighting units have also been installed at Adult Education Centres in Rajasthan, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh. A few photovoltaic powered TV transmitters, rural telephone exchanges and microwave repeater stations have also been set up. A few photovoltaic based power plants in the range of 1—7 KW have also been installed in rural areas

Rubber Industry

@3012. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rubber industry is facing any crisis at present;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to tide over the crisis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

@Previously Unstarred Question 2941, transferred from the 1st December, 1988.